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SUBJ: VISIT OF ITALIAN ENERGY OFFICIALS TO AUSTRALIA

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1. ITALIAN ENERGY OFFICIALS WILL PSEND LAST WEEK OF MARCH
HOLDING DISCUSSIONS WITH GOA OFFICIALS CONCERNING THE
POSSIBLE AVAILABILITY OF AUSTRALIAN URANIUM TO ITALY AND
TERMS UNDER WHICH URANIUM COULD BE AVAILABLE. TRADE AND
RESOURCES OFFICIAL STATED THAT GOA WOULD ALSO NOT MISS THE
OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE NUCLEAR SAFEGRUADS DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
ITALIANS.

2. SHORTLY, GOA IS EXPECTED TO TABLE A PROPOSAL IN
PARLIAMENT TO ESTABLISH A URANIUM MARKETING AUTHORITY, WHICH
WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSURING THE ORDERLY MARKETING OF
AUSTRALIAN URANIUM. THIS COULD INCLUDE CONTROLLING URANIUM
SUPPLY SO THAT AUSTRALIAN URANIUM DOES NOT FLOOD THE MARKET,
THEREBY DRIVING THE PRICE DOWN. YOU MIGHT SAY THAT GOA IS
WORKING ON THE FRINGE OF "PRICE FIXING" ALTHOUGH GOA NOT
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ABOUT TO ADMIT THIS.

3. EMBASSY WILL REPORT RESULTS OF ITALIAN VISIT.
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